

**MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF IRVINGTON, NEW YORK
HELD ON MONDAY NOVEMBER 15, 1999 AT 8:00 P.M. VILLAGE HALL, 85 MAIN STREET,
IRVINGTON, NEW YORK.**

Present: Dennis P. Flood, Mayor
Garrard R. Beeney, Trustee
Sheila M. Attai, Trustee
Richard J. Livingston, Trustee
Stephen A. McCabe, Village Administrator
Lawrence S. Schopfer, Clerk-Treasurer
Robert M. Bauer, Supt. of Public Works
Daniel J. Raimondo, Police Lieutenant
Lino J. Sciarretta, Village Attorney's Office

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Flood who led the attendance in the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

Mayor Flood opened the floor to public comment on matters not contained on the agenda of the regular meeting. Bob Munigle thanked the Mayor and Trustees for listening and responding to his students' questions. Francis Schell discussed traffic on Dows Lane and a recycling question. There were no further comments from those in attendance.

Trustee Livingston made a motion to adopt the minutes of the regular meeting of the Village Board held on November 1, 1999. The motion was seconded by Trustee Beeney and unanimously approved.

Trustee Livingston made a motion to adopt the minutes of the special meeting of the Village Board held on November 6, 1999. The motion was seconded by Trustee Attai and unanimously approved.

Mayor Flood read communications from Deborah Sexter regarding her resignation from the Ethics Board; Joanne Pappas regarding traffic issues on Main Street; George Rowe Jr. (2 letters), Christa Fagerberg, and Leonard & Catherine Gross regarding construction access to the Waterfront Park. A copy of each piece of correspondence is attached hereto as a part of these minutes.

Mayor Flood presented Joe Anias of J & J Landscapes with a Mayoral proclamation in thanks for gifted services for the restoration of Hastings Park.

Trustee Beeney made a motion to adopt the following resolution:

Whereas, it is fitting that property tax assessments in Westchester be based on a fair, equitable distribution of the tax burden, without discrimination against any class of taxpayer. Now, therefore be it resolved, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees of the Village of Irvington, New York urge our Westchester County legislature to enact a revenue-neutral County-wide revaluation of property taxes and to consider phasing in any tax increases generated by the implementation of such a revaluation.

Trustee Attai seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Mayor Flood provided some background on the bidding and selection process for the construction of the Waterfront Park. He indicated that the lowest qualified bidder was Thalle Construction of Briarcliff Manor, New York and, accordingly, he recommended the award of the contract to the low bidder. He further indicated that based on the concerns about delivery of equipment and materials to the site expressed by residents at the special meeting of November 6th, the Board would ensure that Thalle accesses the site in a manner that would preserve the quality of life of residents and merchants in the downtown / waterfront area and be in the best interests of the Village as a whole. With that, Trustee Beeney made a motion to adopt the following resolution:

Resolved that the Mayor and Board of Trustees of the Village of Irvington, New York approve the award of a contract for construction of the Irvington Hudson River Waterfront Park to Thalle Construction Company, Inc. of Briarcliff Manor, New York, in the amount of \$6,132,192.50 and hereby authorize the Village Administrator to execute an acceptable contract subject to the approval of the contract as to form by the Village Attorney.

Trustee Attai seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Trustee Livingston reported on various Police Department matters including recent training activities and speed enforcement on Station Road. He also reported that the new fire rescue vehicle was delivered last week. He also reported on a recent Theater performance.

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Trustee Attai discussed the FEMA filing for Tropical Storm Floyd storm damage totaling \$85,000 and the ongoing leaf collection program. She also reported on the Building Department activities including numerous basement refinishing projects around the village. She also indicated that the Village had received an award from the American Cancer Society for assisting with breast cancer screening.

Trustee Beeney discussed the anticipated Library opening and the recent special meeting on the Waterfront Park project construction access issue.

Trustee Attai made a motion for the Board to adjourn to executive session to take up legal and personnel matters. The motion was seconded by Trustee Livingston and unanimously approved.

There being no further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned.

Lawrence S. Schopfer, Clerk-Treasurer

Attachments